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1. Personnel of the central office of the Union of Czsch Farmers (Jednotny Svaz Ceskych Zemedelcu - JSCZ) is as follows:

Chairman:

Josef Nepomucky, deputy of the KSC and chairman of the committee for the handling of farm produce (hospodareni zemedelskymi vyrobky). It is reported that he has been demoted to an unimportant position for deviating from the Party line on the question of procedure in the creation of the United Agricultural Cooperatives (Jedotna Zemedelska Druzstva - JZD).

Deputy Chairman:

Josef Taticek, a farmer and a Communist; not to be trusted in political matters.

General Secretary:

Josef Zlesak, an active Communist. He was formerly Political Secretary for the district of Mradec Kralove, and has been General Secretary since February 1948. His deputy is Ing. Miroslav Novak, a Communist since February 1948. He was previously a clerk of the JSCZ.

Secretary of the Presidium:

Urban, a Communist, also Chief of the Personnel Section. This position was formerly held by Dr. Frantisek Srb, who is at present in the military service.

Chief of the Cadre Control Section:

Antonin Vondracek, a Communist.

f. Chief of the Organization Section:

Rudolf Konicek, a Communist.

Head of the Women's Section:

Anna Mrskocova, a deputy of the KSC. She was an active functionary of the Agrarian Party, but is now an active Communist.

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h. Chief of the Section on Nember Organizations:

Josef Zadrobilek, a Communist, and also Deputy Chairman of the JCCZ.

- i. Chief of the Central Accounting Section: Alois Madle, a Communist.
- j. Chief of the Financial Section:

Dr. Socher, a member of the presidium of the JSCZ. He does not appear to be an ardent Communist, although his political conviction is not known.

- k. Chief of the Legal Section: Dr. Koranda, a Communist since February 1948.
 - Chief of the Personnel Section:

Urban, a Communist, also Secretary of the Presidium.

m. Chief of the Technical Section:

Alois Pesula, a Communist.

n. Chief of the Section on State Farms:

Ing. Hodan, a Communist.

o. Chief of the Founding Section:

Ing. Vladimir Skarda, a Communist, 29 years

ora.

p. Chief of the Schooling Section:

Josef Svoboda, a Communist.

q. Chief of the Social Section: Antonin Pesula, a Communist.

- 2. The leadership of the union is exclusively in the hands of the Communists. Only among the lower categories of clerks can there be found anyone who is not a merber of the KSC.
- 3. The main purpose of the JSCZ is the creation of JZD associations, and the gradual collectivization of the country. To the present time about 600 associations have been created voluntarily by mutual consent at farmers' meetings. The number of associations has not changed in recent months, and efforts are being concentrated on the gaining of new members.
- 4. A lack of machinery, especially of heavy farm machinery, is hindering the faster spread of JZD associations. Associations have been waiting over six months for needed machinery of which they were promised immediate delivery.

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